



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Terry L. Ray)
Serial No.: 10/648,078) Ex: Ali, Shumaya
Filed: 26 August 2003) Art Unit: 3743
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)
PREVENTING FLUID TRANSFER)
BETWEEN AN OVIDUCT AND A)
UTERINE CAVITY)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 22 February 2006 in the above identified patent application. A shortened statutory period for response was set for 3 months, up to and including 22 May 2006.

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application.

Claims 5, 6, 15, and 16 are withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-4, 7-14, and 17-20 stand rejected.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.